

REMARKS

Applicants add product by process claims 61 and 62 based on claims 50 and 51 of co-pending application Serial No. 09/287,664 filed April 7, 1999. Applicants have also canceled claims 50 and 51 from the co-pending application by an amendment filed simultaneously with this amendment. The Examiner agreed in the June 5, 2000 Interview Summary that this removes the obviousness type double patenting rejections from both applications.

The Examiner rejects claims 1-29 and 31-60 as based on a defective reissue declaration, which applicants have addressed by submission of the enclosed new substitute reissue declaration that includes the residence, post office address and citizenship of each inventor, and explicitly states that the inventors are joint inventors, as required by the Examiner.

Applicants submit the original patent forming the basis for this reissue application, U.S. Patent No. 5,401,305 also as required by the Examiner.

CONCLUSIONS

Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection in view of the foregoing amendments and remarks and pass the application to issue.

If filing this response requires an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and payment of an extension fee or other fee which this response fails to account for,

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applicants' attorneys request such an extension and payment of any fees due from their
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